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For: METHOD FOR THE SELECTIVE AND QUANTITATIVE FUNCTIONALIZATION OF IMMUNOGLOBULIN FAB FRAGMENTS, CONJUGATE COMPOUNDS OBTAINED WITH THE SAME AND COMPOSITIONS THEREOF

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REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF FILING RECEIPT – USPTO ERROR

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Sir:

Review of the attached copy of the Filing Receipt, mail date September 8, 2005 showed an error under the ***Power of Attorney*** heading. The data listed on the attached Filing Receipt reads "None", when in fact, a Power of Attorney was filed with the USPTO on April 22, 2005, a copy of which is enclosed herewith.

The enclosures specifically include copies of Forms PTO/SB/81, Power of Attorney and Correspondence Address Indication Form; PTO/SB96, Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b); and the Notice of Acceptance of Application Under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.495. The latter document confirms the Power of Attorney was filed on April 22, 2005. The initial two documents were executed by an authorized officer of Bracco Imaging SpA, who is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the patent application listed above, and appointed practitioner ***M. Caragh Noone, Reg. No. 37,197***, of the company Bracco Research USA Inc., 305 College Road East, Princeton, NJ 08540, as their attorney, with

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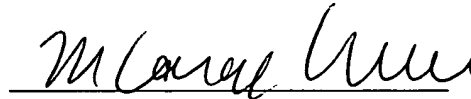
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Power of Attorney: M. Caragh Noone, Reg. 37,197

Accordingly, Applicants' attorney respectfully requests the issuance of a Corrected Filing Receipt and that the PTO records be updated to reflect the correction(s) as indicated in this immediate letter and revised copy of the Filing Receipt enclosed herewith.

Kindly direct all future correspondence regarding this application to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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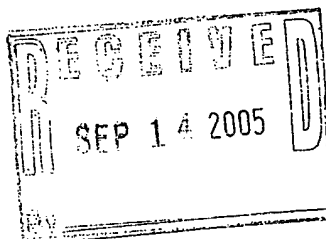


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Title

Method for the selective and quantitative functionalization of immunoglobulin fab fragments, conjugate compounds obtained with the same and compositions thereof

Preliminary Class

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